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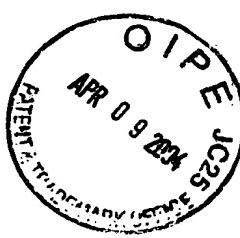
TANAKA et al.

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Filed: December 11, 2001

**For: HYBRIDIZATION REACTION APPARATUS AND
HYBRIDIZATION METHOD**

Attorney Docket No. HIRA.0052



Art Unit: 1637

**Examiner:
SIEW JEFFREY**

**Honorable Assistant Commissioner
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Washington, D.C. 20231**

COVER LETTER

Sir:

The fee for submission of claims is calculated as shown below:

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Total Claims	12	8	(Over 20)	x \$18	0
Independent Claims	5	3	(Over 3)	x \$86	172.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(S)				+\$290	0
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				TOTAL	172.00

In addition, the below-identified communications are submitted in the above-captioned application or proceeding:

- Response to Office Action
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 Preliminary Amendment
 Substitute Specification
 Other _____

- Petition for Extension of Time months
 Terminal Disclaimer
 Letter to Draftsperson
 _____ sheets of drawings
 Petition under _____

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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 14, 2004, the period for response to which expires on April 14, 2004. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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